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Reply to Office action of November 5, 2004

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PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME

Madam, Sir:

The initial period for a reply for the Office action of November 5, 2004 has expired on February 5, 2005.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17 and 1.136(a), the Applicants hereby petition for an additional three (3) months extension of time up to and including May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2005, for a total of three (3) months extension of time within which to respond to the Office Action dated November 5, 2004.

In light of the above, the US Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$510.00, namely the Patent Extension of Time Fees for an Extension for Response within Third Month for a small entity, to the credit card of Robert Brouillette. USPTO PTO-2038 form is enclosed herewith. The USPTO is also authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment

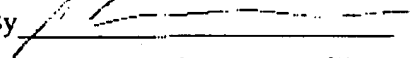
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P.S. The Response to the aforementioned Office Action is concurrently filed.